

MINUTES DUVALL PLANNING COMMISSION

Community Center, 26512 NE Stella Street, Duvall Thursday, August 21, 2008 at 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order – Flag Salute

The Planning Commission meeting was called to order by Commissioner Wolf at 7:11 P.M.

2. Roll Call

Commissioners Jeff Wolf, Amy Ockerlander, Skye King, Jason Walker, and Hilarie Cash were in attendance. Commissioner Holly Krueger had an excused absence and Commissioner Peter Luhrs had an unexcused absence. City Staff members Lara Thomas, Senior Planner; Boyd Benson, City Engineer; and Amy Bright, Administrative Assistant were present.

3. Announcements

Commissioner Wolf thanked Commissioner Walker for his attendance at the joint Planning Commission/Council Workshop on August 14, 2008.

Lara Thomas announced that work has started on the Depot Building. The building has been placed on its permanent foundation and work on the pathway has been started. She noted that the City is working on applying for a grant that will help pay for the gazebo off of the pathway.

Lara Thomas announced that the Parks, Trails, and Open Space Plan is now available for public review on the City website until September 5, 2008. She urged Commissioners to get the community involved in reviewing the plan.

Lara Thomas announced that the 2008 Comprehensive Plan amendments will come to Planning Commission at the second meeting in September. Due to setbacks, the Transportation Plan will likely come later.

Lara Thomas announced that Duvall was a host for the Puget Sound Partnership to tour the Snoqualmie Valley last week.

Commissioner Cash asked for an update on the City working on historic preservation. Ms. Thomas announced that the City is working on balancing the budget and with the economic struggles, projects like historic preservation, sign code updates, shoreline plan and the receiving area update will not likely be funded in 2009.

4. Approval of Minutes

It was moved and seconded (Cash-Ockerlander) to approve the Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of 8/7/08. The motioned carried. (all ayes).

5. Citizen's Comments and Requests – Items not on the Agenda *None*

6. Old Business

None

7. New Business

Healthy Communities Workshop

Boyd Benson, City Engineer, introduced himself to the commission. Patrick Lynch from Transpo Group gave an introduction of the projects that their group works on. Patrick Lynch and Yonnel Gardes showed the commission slides of options for non-motorized traffic in the city. The slides included differences in transition from a drive lane to a sidewalk and differences in bike lane options.

In discussion about the Main Street project, it was mentioned that between the bike lane and the parking lane, there will not be a stripe. Commissioner Wolf asked for clarification. Boyd Benson confirmed that there will not be stripe in this area but noted that the bulb-outs define the parking area and that the bike lane is outside of the bulb-outs. Commissioner Wolf asked if a bike lane would be included in the project area from NE Stevens Street south. Boyd Benson said he would get back to Commissioner Wolf with the answer.

Commissioner Wolf noted that a proposed sidewalk should be added to the sidewalk map, as a sidewalk has been constructed with the Cottonwood project and will be constructed with the 145th Street Extension project.

Commissioner King noted she would like to see LID (Low Impact Development) included in the Transportation Plan. Boyd Benson agreed. Commissioner King asked if alternatives to curb and gutter could be added as well. It was agreed that this would be added to the Goals and Policies.

Commissioner Wolf noted that he would like to see soft surface pedestrian walkways installed now so that pedestrians are safe. He added that these walkways could be made permanent in the future as funds are available.

Commissioner Walker asked if the residential road standards have a deviation allowed. Boyd Benson confirmed that a deviation is allowed and that in some cases 30' roadways can be narrowed to 20'.

Commissioner Wolf noted that he would like to see more defined crosswalks and "Stop for Pedestrian" signs.

Commissioner Cash asked for a timeframe to send in comments to the Transportation Plan. Mr. Benson stated that this plan is behind the Parks Plan and that there would be plenty of time for comment.

Commissioner Walker asked if a bike route should be added to 145th Street. He added that he would like to see on-street parking areas striped with T's. He also added that the Fox Hollow and Kaelin developments were not included in the maps. It was agreed that these items would be looked at. Commissioner Walker asked how street trees fit into this plan. Ms. Thomas explained how the distance between street trees is calculated. Commissioner Walker asked to have the future PSE trail added to the pedestrian route. It was agreed that the trail would be added.

8. Other Business

Lara Thomas noted that the first meetings in September and October will be held in the Rose Room.

9. Adjournment

It was moved and seconded (Ockerlander-King) to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries with all ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.